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SUBJ WHO MEETING ON HEALTH-RELATED MONITORING PROGRAM

1. WHO WILL CONVENE MEETING IN GENEVA 15-19 JULY 1974 CONCERNING ITS HEALTH-RELATED MONITORING PROGRAMS, WITH FOLLOWING TENTATIVE AGENDA: (A) OBJECTIVES, USES AND USERS OF THE PROGRAM, (B) PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND PRIORITIES, (C) TYPICAL ACTIVITIES, (D) SPECIFIC PROGRAM AREAS, AND (E) RECOMMENDATIONS ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION.
2. THIS MEETING IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF WHO'S LONGTERM PROGRAM IN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, AND IS EXPECTED TO RESULT IN PRACTICABLE PROPOSALS ON HOW THE ORGANIZATION CAN COLLABORATE WITH NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO IMPLEMENT RESOLUTION WHA26.58, EMPHASIZING "THE DEVELOPMENT OF SYSTEMS FOR MONITORING OF POLLUTANTS AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS THAT MAY BE HARMFUL TO HEALTH IN AIR, WATER, FOOD, SOIL AND THE WORKING ENVIRONMENT".
3. TWO U.S. NATIONALS ARE BEING INVITED TO THE MEETING AT WHO EXPENSE: DR. J. FINKLEA, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER, EPA, AND DR. V.O. WODICKA, BUREAU OF FOODS, FDA.

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4. WHO WILL SOON ADDRESS AN INVITATION TO ASH/DHEW INVITING

ADDITIONAL U.S. EXPERTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING AT USG
EXPENSE. ALTHOUGH THE LETTER WILL SUGGEST SENDING "ONE OR TWO
ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS", MISSION'S HEALTH ATTACHE IS ASSURED
THAT AS MANY AS 3 OR 4 WOULD BE WELCOME, ESPECIALLY IF THEY
REPRESENT AGENCIES AND/OR FIELDS OF EXPERTISE OTHER THAN THOSE
OF FINKLEA AND WODICKA.

5. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT CDC AND NIEHS/NIH, AS WELL AS FDA AND
EPA, WILL BE INTERESTED, AND MAY WISH CONSIDER THIS IN ADVANCE
OF ARRIVAL OF WHO INVITATION.ABRAMS

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